This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

**Listing of Claims**:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of processing a voice message, the method

comprising:

(a) performing voice recognition on at least a portion of the voice message to

generate a textual representation of the voice message;

(b) detecting a position of a spoken number in the textual representation of the

voice message;

(c) determining a playback start position based upon the position of the spoken

number;

(d) playing the voice message starting at the playback start position; and

(e) automatically dialing the spoken number.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the spoken number includes a plurality of

spoken digits, and wherein detecting the position of the spoken number includes detecting a start

position of a leading digit in the plurality of spoken digits.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein determining the playback start position

includes setting the playback start position to a position earlier than the position of the spoken

number.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving user input to find a

previous number from a current playback position in the voice message, wherein detecting the

position of the spoken number includes detecting an immediately preceding spoken number

from the current playback position.

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5. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving user input to find a next number from a current playback position in the voice message, wherein detecting the position of the spoken number includes detecting an immediately succeeding spoken number from the current playback position.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying at least a portion of the textual representation to a user.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein automatically dialing the spoken number is performed in response to user input.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein detecting the spoken number includes detecting that the spoken number is a telephone number.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Canceled).

12. (Canceled).

13. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:

(a) a memory within which is resident a voice message; and

(b) a program resident in the memory and configured to perform voice recognition on at least a portion of the voice message to generate a textual representation of the voice message, to detect a position of a spoken number in the textual representation of the voice message, to determine a playback start position based upon the position of the spoken number, and to play the voice message starting at the playback

start position, wherein the program is further configured to receive user input to find a

next number from a current playback position in the voice message, and wherein the

program is configured to detect the position of the spoken number by detecting an

immediately succeeding spoken number from the current playback position.

14. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the spoken number includes a

plurality of spoken digits, and wherein the program is configured to detect the position of the

spoken number by detecting a start position of a leading digit in the plurality of spoken digits.

15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the program is configured to

determine the playback start position by setting the playback start position to a position earlier

than the position of the spoken number.

16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the program is further configured to

receive user input to find a previous number from a current playback position in the voice

message, and wherein the program is configured to detect the position of the spoken number by

detecting an immediately preceding spoken number from the current playback position.

17. (Canceled).

18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the program is further configured to

display at least a portion of the textual representation to a user.

19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the program is further configured to

automatically dial the spoken number.

20. (Original) The apparatus of claim 19, wherein the program is configured to

automatically dial the spoken number in response to user input.

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22. (Canceled).

23. (Canceled).

24. (Canceled).

25. (Currently Amended) A program product, comprising:

(a) a program configured to perform voice recognition on at least a portion of a voice message to generate a textual representation of the voice message, the program further configured to detect a position of a spoken number in the textual representation of the voice message, to determine a playback start position based upon the position of the spoken number, to detect whether the spoken number is a telephone number, and to play the voice message starting at the playback start position; and

(b) a signal bearing physical computer readable medium bearing storing the program.

26. (Currently Amended) The program product of claim 25, wherein the signal bearing computer readable medium includes at least one of a transmission medium and a recordable medium.

27. (Canceled).